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**Art Unit 1655**

Re: U.S. Utility Patent Application  
Appl. No. 09/925,313; Filed: August 10, 2001  
For: **An Alpha-2-Macroglobulin Diagnostic Test**  
Inventors: TANZI *et al.*  
Our Ref: 0609.4460004/JAG/HLK

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for appropriate action are the following documents:

1. Information Disclosure Statement;
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3. One copy of each of the 98 cited documents: AA1, AB1, AC1, AD1, AE1, AF1, AL1, AM1, AN1, AO1, AP1, AR1, AS1, AT1, AR2, AS2, AT2, AR3, AS3, AT3, AR4, AS4, AT4, AR5, AS5, AT5, AR6, AS6, AT6, AR7, AS7, AT7, AR8, AS8, AT8, AR9, AS9, AT9, AR10, AS10, AT10, AR11, AS11, AT11, AR12, AS12, AT12, AR13, AS13, AT13, AR14, AS14, AT14, AR15, AS15, AT15, AR16, AS16, AT16, AR17, AS17, AT17, AR18, AS18, AT18, AR19, AS19, AT19, AR20, AS20, AT20, AR21, AS21, AT21, AR22, AS22, AT22, AR23, AS23, AT23, AR24, AS24, AT24, AR25, AS25, AT25, AR26, AS26, AT26, AR27, AS27, AT27, AR28, AS28, AT28, AR29, AS29, AT29; and
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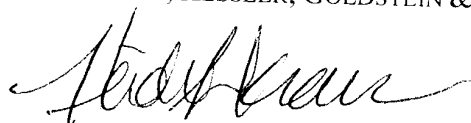
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Where the publication date of a listed document does not provide a month of publication, the year of publication of the listed document is sufficiently earlier than the effective U.S. filing date and any foreign priority date so that the month of publication is not in issue. Applicants have listed publication dates on the attached PTO-1449 based on information presently available to the undersigned. However, the listed publication dates should not be construed as an admission that the information was actually published on the date indicated.

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This statement should not be construed as a representation that a search has been made, or that information more material to the examination of the present patent application does not exist. The Examiner is specifically requested not to rely solely on the material

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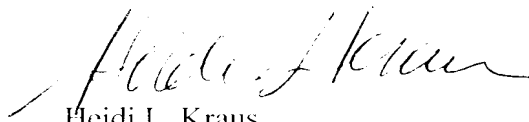
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This Information Disclosure Statement is being filed within three months of the date of filing of a national application and before the mailing date of a first Office Action on the merits. No statement or fee is required.

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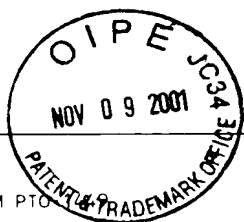
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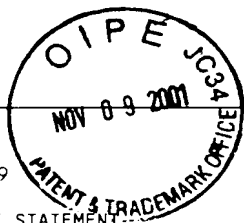
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